

## Message Text

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UNITED STATES SENATE

WASHINGTON DC

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SHUM, AR

SUBJECT: DETAINMENT OF ARGENTINE PRIESTS -

JOHN FRANCO TESTA (103/77/9)

1. IN RESPONSE TO YOUR INQUIRY LAST FALL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE I WISH TO INFORM YOU THAT FATHER JOHN FRANCO TESTA WAS REMOVED FROM DETENTION UNDER THE PRESIDENT'S STATE OF SEIGE POWERS.

2. WE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER THE CRIMINAL CHARGES PREVIOUSLY PENDING AGAINST FATHER TESTA HAVE BEEN DROPPED. WE WILL INQUIRE AND KEEP YOU INFORMED.

3. SINCERELY YOURS, RAUL CASTRO, AMBASSADOR.

CASTRO

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